

Happy Holiday
Jordan Times staff will take a four-day holiday to celebrate the 'Eid Al Fitr. The Jordan Times will not be published Friday through Monday, but will reappear on Tuesday, August 4. The staff and management of the Jordan Times wish a happy holiday to all.

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Today's Weather
It will become gradually cooler, with north-westerly moderate winds. In Aqaba, winds will be northerly moderate and seas calm.
Overnight High 23 Low 13
Daytime High 32 Low 22
Amman 23 32
Aqaba 26 36
Deserts 25 37
Jordan Valley 25 36
Wednesday's high temperatures: Amman 35, Aqaba 38. Sunset Thursday: 6:35 p.m. Sunrise Friday: 4:50 a.m. Sunset Friday: 6:34 p.m. Sunrise Saturday: 4:51 a.m.

Teen hosts men leaders

AMMAN, July 29 (Petra) — Majesty Queen Noor gave a banquet this evening at the Royal Palace in honor of the leaders which included engineers and teachers from the University of Jordan and Yarmouk University. The banquet was also attended by officials from the various parts of the country. The banquet was attended by the prime minister and the Chief of the State Royal Court and women members of the National Consultative Council. (Petra photo)



Ceasefire in southern Lebanon holds Syria downs Israeli aircraft, admits losing one in dogfight

BEIRUT, July 29 (Agencies) — Syria said it had downed an Israeli aircraft in a dogfight over northern Lebanon today and admitted that one of its planes had been hit, but the incident appeared unlikely to disturb a ceasefire which is now in its sixth day in the south.

A spokesman at the U.N. New York headquarters said the United Nations was aware of reports of a dogfight between Israeli and Syrian aircraft but that was not observed by U.N. officers. "This is not part of the ceasefire we are monitoring," the spokesman, Mr. Francois Giuliani, told reporters. Mrs. Jeane Kirkpatrick, chief delegate of the United States, which was instrumental in bringing about the halt to two weeks of daily clashes between Israeli and Palestinian forces, conferred on the situation today with U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim. Mr. Clovis Maksoud, the delegate of the Arab League, also had an appointment with Dr. Waldheim today.

The Israelis said their planes had been on a reconnaissance mission over Tripoli and the northern Bekaa Valley and claimed they had all returned to base. In southern Lebanon, the shaky ceasefire between the Israelis and Palestinian commandos was still holding after the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) reported over differences with a hardline PLO faction that wanted to go on fighting. Official Lebanese sources said the downed Syrian jet was a MiG-23, but an Israeli military spokesman claimed it was the more sophisticated Soviet MiG-25. A Syrian military spokesman said the clash occurred while Israeli planes were on a reconnaissance flight over Tripoli and the northern Bekaa area. "They were intercepted by our planes which clashed with them in an air battle and prevented them from fulfilling their mission," he added. "An enemy plane was shot down. One of our planes was hit, and the rest of our aircraft returned to base safely." Lebanese press reports have identified Libya and Romania as two main suppliers of weapons to the Palestinians, who agreed to a ceasefire with Israel on Friday after two weeks of Israeli ground, air and naval strikes. The Lebanese sources said the pilot had parachuted to safety in a hilly area about 45 kilometres north-east of Beirut. The plane was the latest in a series of Syrian MiGs shot down by the Israelis over Lebanon. The last one was downed on July 14 during an Israeli air attack on the south. Today's dogfight, which lasted about one minute, followed a statement by Damascus Radio yesterday that Syria would shoot down Israeli warplanes if they continued to overfly Lebanon. The Israelis fly over Lebanon almost every day allegedly to keep track of Palestinian and Syrian military movements. The pro-Syrian Beirut newspaper Ash Shaq reported today that Syria had told Lebanese leftist leaders that it did not have enough SAM ground-to-air missiles to protect Beirut from Israeli air attack. But the newspaper said that Syria had promised to facilitate the entry of weapons from other Arab states into Lebanon. Palestinian and Lebanese leftist groups had called for SAM anti-aircraft rockets round Beirut following a devastating Israeli air raid which killed some 300 civilians here earlier this month.

Bani-Sadr surfaces in Paris, pledges to organise resistance against Tehran

S, July 29 (R) — Former Iranian president Hassan Bani-Sadr arrived in France today and he had fled his country to encourage against the rule of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

Carefully planned escape

The former president said he had never left Tehran in the weeks since his ouster. "I was able to move about in the city thanks to the protection of the people and of those who support me," he said. Col. Moezi said the escape had been carefully planned for some time both by Bani-Sadr sympathisers in the armed forces and by members of the former president's entourage. "On Tuesday morning, I filed a flight plan which provided for an evening takeoff on a routine training mission in Iranian air space," he said. "The other four members of the crew also knew what was happening." "At the end of the afternoon we went to the Tehran air base as usual before a flight to prepare for what we presented as a perfectly normal mission. We filled the tanks with fuel and everything was in order. "At 8.30 p.m. we managed to smuggle Bani-Sadr to the plane and hid him there. We took off on schedule at 10.30 and the first part of our mission had gone off as we planned." The colonel said he managed to leave Iranian airspace without raising the alarm by flying low and avoiding radar detection. He then flew over Turkey and out across the Eastern Mediterranean over Cyprus before heading for Greece where he was first picked up by Greek radar as he was moving along commercial air routes. Sources close to Mr. Bani-Sadr said the pilot had radioed ahead to Evreux that he was carrying the former president who was seeking asylum and wanted permission to land in France. A Paris report earlier today, received in Ankara by the Turkish state news agency, said the Iranian air force jet was hijacked at but did not say where in Iran the incident took place. Paris said Iranian air force fighters chased the hijacked plane but it escaped out of Iranian airspace.

sein Mousavi lodged a formal extradition request with the French embassy in Tehran immediately after the former president arrived in Paris. Mr. Mousavi said the former leader was wanted by the judicial authorities and that documents on the issue would be sent to the French mission in Tehran. The foreign minister told the embassy that France had to return the fugitive leader because his case was not limited to political issues. He did not specify what the other issues were. The radio said the deposed leader had fled Iran, accompanied by "his prime minister Masoud Rajavi," apparently helped Mr. Bani-Sadr remain in hiding in Iran after his dismissal last month. Mr. Rajavi was condemned to life imprisonment and tortured by the late Shah's secret police Savak and was released with other political prisoners following massive anti-Shah demonstrations in Iran shortly before the revolution. In a recent letter circulated to Western news agencies, Mr. Bani-Sadr wrote to Mr. Rajavi proposing the setting up of a "national council of resistance" against the present clergy-dominated regime. Tehran radio described the former president's departure as "the political death" of both men, saying they had fled the wrath of people and had linked up with "the counter-revolutionary front."

Former PM welcomes

Dr. Ali Amini, Iranian prime minister under the late Shah from 1961 to 1962, said Mr. Bani-Sadr's arrival in France was "good news." Dr. Amini, who lives in Paris, told reporters Mr. Bani-Sadr "will be able to give a new impulse to the Iranian opposition in France. "Certainly there are many people among the exiles here who are opposed to him, but I think we must make use of his presence to strengthen the opposition and overthrow the present regime in Tehran."

Bakhtiar is against Bani-Sadr

Former Iranian prime minister Shapour Bakhtiar, who lives in exile in Paris, told Reuters that there was no question of his collaborating with Mr. Bani-Sadr. Mr. Bakhtiar said he would not "meet or work with people of Mr. Bani-Sadr's type who were little more than common criminals. "When a democratic regime is restored in Iran Bani-Sadr will be put on trial," he said. "This is the end of a process. He has had his just reward which he has well-deserved," Mr. Bakhtiar said. Mr. Bakhtiar, who held power briefly in 1979 before being swept aside by Ayatollah Khomeini's Islamic revolution has repeatedly said that Mr. Bani-Sadr bore a heavy responsibility for the political turmoil in Iran.

Iran quake claims 800: toll may reach 4,000

LONDON, July 29 (Agencies) — The bodies of 800 earthquake victims have been recovered in the southern Iranian region of Kerman and the final death toll could be 4,000, Iranian state radio said today. The radio, monitored by Reuters, broadcast an appeal for food for survivors of the disaster which occurred last night. Rescue workers were digging for more bodies in the ruins of flattened homes, the radio said. The radio said at least many were killed in Kerman City when old houses collapsed. Panic-stricken residents fled into the streets when the quake struck. It measured between 6.5 and 7 on the open-ended Richter scale and was centred about 65 kilometres east of the provincial capital. The region was previously devastated by earth tremors 45 days ago. Earlier in the day the governor general of Kerman Province, Abdol Hossein Sayeh, was quoted by its official Iranian news agency, Pars, as saying as many as 4,000 to 5,000 people may have been killed.

Tehran demands extradition

Meanwhile, Iran has demanded the extradition of Mr. Bani-Sadr from France to stand trial, state radio said today. Iranian Foreign Minister Hos-



Abol Hassan Bani-Sadr

and leaders have been executed in Iran since Mr. Bani-Sadr's ouster. "The armed forces of Iran are sympathetic to Bani-Sadr," the colonel said. "The Tehran regime will fall like that of Genghis Khan." Col. Moezi identified Mr. Bani-Sadr's second companion as Masoud Rajavi, head of the Islamic People's Mujahedeen, which is the main target of the current anti-leftist campaign in Iran. Mr. Rajavi's opposition to Iran's Islamic constitution debarred him from standing for the presidency in 1980, despite the protests of Mr. Bani-Sadr who went on to win the election. Dozens of police, some in riot gear and bullet-proof vests, surrounded the apartment building where Mr. Bani-Sadr is staying in Paris, and some with rifles were posted on the roof. Then it would probably go to Shimon Peres whose Labour Party came out of the June general election with one seat less than Mr. Begin's Likud Bloc. If Mr. Peres fails to be muster Knesset majority for a Labour-led cabinet, new elections could result, the sources said. The sources said one major problem in Mr. Begin's way was the controversial demand of the ultra-religious Aguda Israel Party to amend the immigration law so

Begin stumbles in coalition talks

IED JERUSALEM, July 29 (A.P.) — Prime Minister Menachem Begin today failed to muster a coalition of religious parties to join his proposed coalition government but agreed to renew talks with them tomorrow. Government sources said Mr. Begin met representatives of three parties whose support to muster a Knesset (parliamentary) majority. As his bid to hear conflicting demands produce agreement, the sources said. The law, Mr. Begin must win confidence by next Tuesday or return his mandate to President

Yitzhak Navon. Mr. Begin can request an extension of another three weeks to form a coalition but has said repeatedly that if he failed to do so by next week, he would return his mandate. Then it would probably go to Shimon Peres whose Labour Party came out of the June general election with one seat less than Mr. Begin's Likud Bloc. If Mr. Peres fails to be muster Knesset majority for a Labour-led cabinet, new elections could result, the sources said. The sources said one major problem in Mr. Begin's way was the controversial demand of the ultra-religious Aguda Israel Party to amend the immigration law so

that gentiles converted to Judaism by non-orthodox rabbis would not be recognised as true Jews. If this were done, such converts would not be allowed to acquire Israeli citizenship on arrival here. The demand is opposed by the liberal faction of Likud. There is a second major problem for Mr. Begin: The struggle between the National Religious Party (NRP) and Tami, a breakaway group of Jews of North African origin, to control the religious affairs ministry. NRP and Tami agreed to consider Mr. Begin's suggestion today that the minister of religious affairs be appointed from a third party for an initial six months, the government sources said.

Jordan catalogues Israeli 'pillaging' for Waldheim

UNITED NATIONS, July 29 (Petra) — Jordan has presented U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim with "a catalogue of acts of confiscation, colonisation and annexation by Israel" on the West Bank of the River Jordan and in Jerusalem during June. The list, submitted by Jordanian U.N. representative Hazem Nuseibeh, said the Israelis had established seven new settlements on the West Bank and were planning five others. In addition, there had been three Israeli takeovers of Arab land. Dr. Nuseibeh said, Jordan was deeply concerned by "the new acts of pillage" which, he said, demonstrated that the ultimate goal of the Israeli authorities was to annex the occupied Arab territories and expel their inhabitants.

W. Bank artist detained in allegedly security case

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, July 29 (A.P.) — Suleiman Mansour, the best known Palestinian artist in the West Bank, was detained on Monday for alleged security violations, Jerusalem Post reported. The military spokesman said yesterday that Mansour, of Ramallah, was detained near Kalandiya together with his wife and father-in-law. No further details were given. Palestinian sources in East Jerusalem said yesterday that Mansour was arrested as he was driving to a vacation spot in the Nablus area. He had reportedly attempted to cross into Jordan last week but was unable to obtain an exit permit. According to the East Jerusalem sources, Mansour was arrested with his brother-in-law, Elias Kar'uah. Mansour teaches art at an UNRWA vocational school near Ramallah, and studied art at the Bezalel School in Jerusalem.

White House announces new envoys to S. Arabia, Syria

WASHINGTON, July 29 (Special) — President Reagan intends to nominate Richard Murphy to be ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, succeeding Robert Neumann who has resigned, and Robert P. Paganelli to Syria to succeed Talcott W. Seelyer, the White House announced. Mr. Murphy, a career foreign service officer, is currently concluding his assignment as ambassador to the Philippines. He has had extensive experience in the Middle East, previously serving as ambassador to Syria. Mr. Murphy also served as ambassador to Mauritania in 1971-73. His other foreign service assignments include Aleppo, Jeddah and Amman. Mr. Murphy graduated from Harvard University in 1951 and Cambridge University in 1953. He is married to the former Anne Cook. Mr. Paganelli entered the U.S. foreign service in 1958 as an intelligence research specialist in the State Department. He attended Arabic language training in the State Department in Washington and in Beirut in 1959-61.

Bomb goes off in Beersheba

DAMASCUS, July 28 (R) — Palestinian commandos said they planted a bomb which blew a hole in a bus station in Beersheba, southern Israel, early today. The Palestine news agency Wafa quoted a commando spokesman as saying an Israeli explosives expert set off the bomb on the spot after failing to defuse it. A military vehicle parked nearby was also damaged, the spokesman said.

Jabal Hussein street to become pedestrian mall during the holiday

AMMAN, July 29 (Petra) — The area between Firas Circle in Jabal Hussein and Ministry of the Interior Circle will be closed to vehicles from 5 p.m. until midnight during 'Eid Al Fitr, Amman Mayor Isam Ajlouni announced today. He said that the whole stretch of street between the two circles will be exclusively reserved for pedestrians, and motorists can park their cars in areas to be assigned for this purpose. The municipality has requested owners of stores on both sides of that street to put up decorative signs and coloured electric lights to beautify the area, and has also given permission to street vendors to sell flowers and children's toys as well as books, magazines and delicacies along the pavements, Mr. Ajlouni said. Mr. Ajlouni said that special teams have been formed to visit hospitals and distribute flowers to patients during the holiday, while others will be distributing bouquets of flowers to traffic police and to members of the security forces on duty during 'Eid Al Fitr in recognition of their efforts and services. The mayor called on the public to cooperate with the municipality teams and traffic police to make the holiday experiment a success.

RAMZI S. MUASHER, M.D. ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEON
Announces his return from the U.S., and will receive his patients as usual in his clinic at MUASHIR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.



park's glittering entrance

Zarqa's Luna Park: a new holiday treat

By Samir I. Jouaneh

Special to the Jordan Times

ARQA — Zarqa used to have of the most picturesque parks in Jordan — until two years ago, when it closed down as a result of a misunderstanding between the municipality and the park's management.

But now, thanks to the Caucasian Club, the park is being revived; and Zarqa is to have its old park back, with a new look and the new name of Luna Park.

The park is actually municipality property, and the Caucasian Club has leased it for JD 5,500 a year. Other interested parties made bids for the park, but the Caucasian Club had something special to offer. They introduced the idea of converting the existing park into a kind of amusement park with some of the old familiar fun-fair

attractions — similar to the already existing Al Ahli pleasure complex in Ras Al 'Ain, Amman. The park is to be totally managed by the Caucasian Club and personnel will be appointed by the club for the everyday running of the park. "The idea was initiated due to the lack of any facilities for family entertainment," Mr. Adolf Baha Eddin, a Caucasian Club committee member, told the Jordan Times. "The aim of this venture is,

first, to provide Zarqa with a much needed recreational facility; and second, we hope to make some profit that will contribute to the development and expansion of the club," he added. The facilities provided in the park will include mini-dodge'em cars for the young, and normal-sized ones for adults who feel like having a spin. It is certainly safer here than on the Amman-Zarqa highway! A rotating swing is also pro-

Zarqa's defunct public park is about to reopen in a new form -- as a fun-filled amusement park, thanks to the city's Caucasian Club

vided for the kids, as is a shooting gallery. "We hope to have a 'ballerina' ride in the very near future, but at the moment we are concentrating on what we've got in order to open the park to the public on the first day of the 'Eid Al-Fitr holiday,'" Dr. Omar Jabay, another committee member said. "We started work in the park on June 26, and as the summer season is nearly over, we wanted to get the ball rolling as soon as possible," he added. Large seating areas are available where families can relax among the abundant greenery and rock pools that are the most beautiful feature of the park. Food and drinks are available on order, as well as a kiosk catering for shawarma and other sandwiches. "We have no fixed policy on food; but from now till the end of this season only sandwiches will be available," Mr. Baha Eddin said. "But we will have full service by next spring. A restaurant will be opened, providing a full ala carte menu." As for drinks, all kinds of soft drinks will be available. Mr. Baha Eddin emphasized that alcoholic drinks will not be served, and will not be permitted on the premises under any circumstances. A Lebanese technical team has been hired to supervise safety aspects, and mechanical and electrical maintenance of the brand-new German equipment in the park. The security of the whole park is of primary importance, so the Caucasian Club has hired four security men to police the premises. A kiosk is also provided for the local police in case they wish to appoint anyone at the park. "Security is on top of the



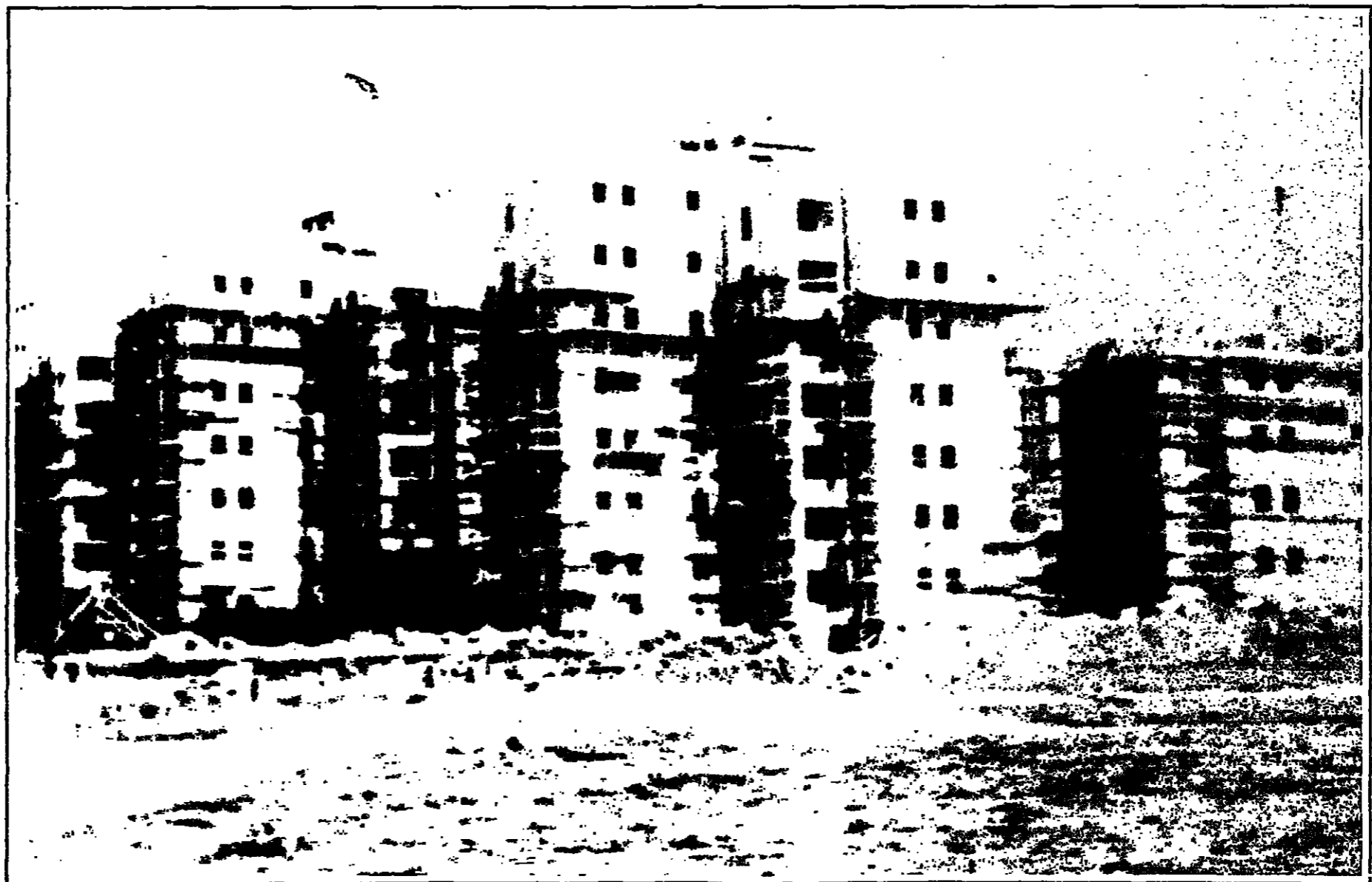
Mr. Adolf Baha Eddin with his son, one of the park's potential customers



Dodge'em cars: safer than the highway Staff photos by Samir Jouaneh

Palestine under occupation: what now?

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third part of a three-part series in which the Jordan Times reprints a 1981 essay by **Tewfik Ahmad Al Khalil** entitled "The Palestinians, the Jordanians and the West Bank"



Israeli settlements around Jerusalem: here the goal of seizing the West Bank has already been accomplished

Had it not been for this policy, the position of the West Bankers throughout the period of occupation would have been, to all intents and purposes, completely untenable.

The West Bank under Israeli occupation

Of a total area of 5.5 million dunams in the West Bank, Israel has already annexed not less than 1.5 million dunams, or 27.5 per cent of the total land area. There are 78 settlements, now housing more than 90,000 persons, divided as follows: Seventeen settlements around Jerusalem, 13 around Ramallah and Al Bireh, 13 in Hebron, Bethlehem and Jericho, 15 around Nablus, Jenin and Tul-karm and 20 in the Jordan Valley.

Israel has meticulously been concentrating housing around the Jerusalem area. This is clearly shown by the 76,000 people who live on these settlements (54 per cent of the total Israeli settlers in the West Bank).

The Jerusalem situation represents "Occupation in its most blatant form," as Mr. Michael Tudson has written. Israel has already annexed the territory stretching up to the Qalandia airport to the north and down to the Beit Jala and Bethlehem lands in the south. The Israelis in Jerusalem will soon surpass the 80,000 Arab Jerusalemites in number. These "new settlers" are located in a belt of highrise apartment communities surrounding the city. The final link in the chain designed to seal Jerusalem off from the rest of the West Bank and the Arab hinterland is the Adumim Urban industrial agglomeration along the road from Jerusalem to Jericho and

Amman. This is viewed as the most dangerous of all settlements, since it places a great "obstacle in the way of the integration of Arab Jerusalem into any future Palestinian homeland." At the site dedication in 1979, Israeli officials were quoted saying: "There will no longer be a line between what we had before the Six Day War and what we have in these days", and "We are putting settlements all around Jerusalem so that there will never be any question of whether it is part of Israel".

And as if that were not enough, for the early 1980s the Israelis have a "Master Plan for the Development of Settlement in Judea and Samaria." (This is what they call the West Bank now).

Among the principles that guide the plan are:

- 1—"Settlement throughout the entire land... is for security and by right..."
- 2—"The proposed settlement blocs are situated as a strip surrounding the Judea and Samaria ridge starting from its western slopes from north to south, and along its eastern slopes from south to north; both between the minorities population and around it".

The plan goes on to say that Israel must encourage this scheme, which will enable it "to bring about the dispersion of the population from the densely popu-

lated urban strip (of the coast) to the presently empty areas of Judea and Samaria". (All of us remember Golda Meir's statement that there is no such thing as the Palestinians, and the Israeli leaders' slogans about Palestine being a land without people).

According to this plan, 46 new settlements will be added in the West Bank by 1983, consisting of 16,000 families. An additional 11,000 families are proposed at the end of 1983 as a process of "thickening of the existing settlements and those under construction".

Conclusion

We have seen that Israel is determined to seize as much Arab land as it can in the shortest possible time, in order to present the world with a fait accompli. This is not a new policy or a temporary one that has come about as a reflex action, or as an intermittent reaction to a peculiar situation. It is a government policy planned meticulously to the finest detail and put forward for implementation with a certain goal in mind — in this case, the complete seizure of the West Bank.

As far as Jerusalem is concerned, this has already been accomplished. Physical evidence abounds pointing in that direction. We have also witnessed that about one-third of the West Bank

is already under full physical Israeli control and sovereignty. Given the relative short period of time that the Israelis have been working at it (13 years), this should prove to the world that they mean business.

Let us not forget that the way the Israelis conduct themselves is to grab as grab can without scruples as if the country were vacant and uninhabited, which is not surprising, as they feel it is all theirs by biblical right -- hence, in our case, the naming of the West Bank as Judea and Samaria.

The question arises as to what should be done to stem the tide of this onslaught. The Palestinians have the right

to return to their land. The concept of Palestinian right in the United Nations is comprehensive, and implies political, and socioeconomic as well as cultural right.

General Assembly Resolution 3236 of 1974 is still the major reassertion of the fundamental rights of the Palestinians. It defines these inalienable rights as follows: Right to self-determination without external interference, right to national independence, right to sovereignty, right of return, right to regain all these by all means and the right to be represented as principal party in the establishment of a just and durable peace in the Middle East. Subsequent General Assembly resolutions consistently and repeatedly reaffirm these rights. These resolutions identify the Palestinians with the oppressed and colonised people of Africa and condemn Israeli occupation as a form of colonialism and foreign domination; they also affirm armed struggle as a legitimate means for liberation.

Even since 1974, the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) has been made the sole and legitimate representative and spokesman for the Palestinians. In spite of this, and in spite of the fact that the PLO has been recognised by the United Nations and has been given observer status there, its voice is not heeded -- either by Israel or by the powers that count.

Evidently, what is needed now is a more forceful measure to thwart the Israeli devices.

There should be close cooperation between the Jordanians, the PLO and the Palestinians in the West Bank and elsewhere, with that end in mind. After all, there are more than 4 million Palestinians, more than half of them living in Jordan and occupied Palestine.

If all of them join together to put forward a positive front in the face of the outside world to present to it a unified stand backed by the potential power and might of the Arabs, then perhaps the world will listen and our cause will be heeded and our shackles shed. "O country and home, Never, never may I be without you, ... There is no sorrow above The loss of a native land"

Euripides

Taking a 'snapshot of society' in figures

By Phyllis Hughes
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Statistics, it has been said with a sniff, can be used to do anything. But a modern society cannot do without sufficient information to help government departments, researchers and scholars. In Jordan, this information is collected systematically by the Department of Statistics, in a bid to help the government meet the needs of the people. The department is responsible for compiling

facts about the population, housing, incomes, industry, health, tourism, social matters and a host of other areas.

The head of the department, Dr. Burhan Shraydeh, explains that once the information has been collected and analysed, it can be in valuable to planners.

"Statistics take a snapshot of society," he told the Jordan Times. "The censuses we carry out are for planning, and also to check whether measures taken by the government to meet the needs we have established are being effective."

The department carries out a population census once every 10 years, although problems back in 1971 meant that it could not be completed. It then conducts an industrial and agricultural survey, every five years.

'Nosy'

The department, which has been in existence since Jordan gained its independence, is continually collecting information which helps to indicate population trends, housing needs and other vital factors in a fast-growing society.

Such official "nosiness" brings cries of indignation from many people who are worried about the privacy of the individual. But here in Jordan there is a strict law forbidding the department or its staff from passing on the information they collect about individuals.

They even have to be careful when dealing with industries. If, for instance, there is only one plastic factory in the country, they cannot talk about statistics relating to the plastics industry: because people would realise these figures came from just one

source. Dr. Shraydeh believes that the public needs to have more confidence in the system. Instead of being suspicious of officials seeking facts and figures, they should accept that this information will subsequently benefit them by allowing the government to provide increased facilities where they are needed.

Last year the department conducted a survey into household expenditure. Hundreds of interviewers visited homes all over the country, carefully monitoring how much each family spent and what they spent it on.

But when the department tried to follow it up with a survey of wages, it ran into great difficulty.

"People were very reluctant to divulge how much they earned," Dr. Shraydeh said. "In the end we had to divide salaries into broad bands into which they could fit themselves."

"The problem is that you need information about both income and expenditure if we are to establish the roots of the present inflation."

"We can only regulate the economy successfully if we know its characteristics in the first place. The public doesn't necessarily recognise this," he added.

Garbage in, garbage out

Dr. Shraydeh also fears that some of the information the department collects may be unreliable, because people don't necessarily tell the truth.

"The problem with statistics is that if you feed in garbage information, you will get garbage results," he said.

Nevertheless the department continually battles to provide accurate information. It is just embarking on a 10-year plan which will include two four-year studies based on the household. Attempts will be made to establish incomes and expenditure: how

many people live in a house; which homes are occupied; migration from rural to urban areas, and even the fertility rate.

Such gathering of information takes a vast army of staff. On occasions the department has to employ up to 4,000 interviewers, who then fill around 7 million computer cards with the information.

The facts and figures are then fed into three new computers being used by the department. Staff are specially trained in a two-year programme at the Statistical Training Centre.

"Many people fail to understand the role of the department," Dr. Shraydeh said. "They think it is Big Brother watching you, whereas in fact we are a non-political, technical institution dealing with information which is confidential."

The collection of accurate data about Jordan has been hampered by the fact that the demographic situation has changed so rapidly in



the last 30 years. In 1948 and 1967 there were the huge influxes of Palestinian refugees, making nonsense of the current population figures.

As a developing country, Jordan also has a great deal of movement from rural to urban areas, new building programmes and extensive industrial development.

"We do have difficulty keeping track of things," Dr. Shraydeh admitted. "But if these problems were cleared up we would find ourselves with another set

"In America they have difficulty getting correct population figures in some towns because there are many illegal immigrants, who obviously don't want to declare themselves."

"So no country is free from difficulties in this area."

But as a first step to improving the quality of the information, Dr. Shraydeh would like to see more government support for the use of statistics, and more appreciation by the public of the fact that such information gathering is vital to the country's development.



Data collected by the department's interviewers are fed into its three new computers (Staff photos by Harout Baligean)



Dr. Burhan Shraydeh, director general of statistics

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ECONOMY

Japan's car exports decline

TOKYO, July 29 (R) — Japanese car exports in June fell for the first time in over two years following curbs on shipments to major Western nations, the Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association (JAMA) said today.

Total June shipments were down 0.4 per cent to 512,839 from a year ago, the first year-on-year decline since May 1979. The figure was 2.4 per cent down on May exports.

Japan now has agreements to limit car exports to a majority of European Economic Community countries as well as the United States and Canada.

Shipments to the U.S. declined 13.7 per cent compared with June last year, but those to the EEC were only 0.1 per cent down. However, exports to Canada increased by over 22 per cent and to West Germany 23.4 per cent from a year ago, although both figures were below May exports.

The June exports brought Japan's total for the first half of this year to 3.19 million vehicles, almost nine per cent higher than last year, following the high level of shipments overseas in the early part of the year.

Conoco's takeover battle still on

WILMINGTON, Delaware, July 29 (R) — Du Pont company said yesterday it has received more than 50 per cent of Conoco's 87 million shares of stock in the biggest takeover battle in corporate history.

But Wall Street analysts said the bidding war was far from over. They said Conoco stockholders could still withdraw their shares and submit them to the two other suitors for the giant oil concern—Mobil or Seagram.

Du Pont, one of three companies bidding for Conoco, said it has received 43.7 million Conoco shares as of Monday. The leading chemical manufacturer has

offered to pay \$95 a share in cash for 45 to 50 per cent of Conoco's 87 million shares outstanding.

The Mobil Corporation said it had received about two million Conoco shares under its offer for

Conoco. Mobil will pay \$105 a share in cash for 50 per cent of Conoco's stock and proposes to acquire the remaining shares through an exchange of securities.

Congress calls for lower bank rates

WASHINGTON, July 29 (R) — The House of Representatives called yesterday for action by the Reagan administration to lower interest rates, saying the current high levels were damaging the economies of the United States and its allies. By a vote of 403 to 17, the House approved a resolution saying the high interest rates resulted partly from "an excessive reliance on tight monetary policy to fight inflation, coupled with an expected large fiscal deficit."

The non-binding resolution said the high rates were causing extensive damage to the U.S. economy and to the economies of U.S. trading partners and the developing world.

ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS

China keeps monetary problem at bay

PEKING, July 29 (R) — China said yesterday it had made progress in its efforts to control the money supply, the growth of which has been officially acknowledged as a problem.

Figures issued by the Bank of China said that 3.98 billion yuan (\$2.5 billion) was withdrawn from circulation in the first half of this year, 1.5 billion yuan (\$930 million) more than in the same period of 1980.

The bank, quoted by the New China news agency, said this represented "progress in efforts to control the money supply." The increase in the amount taken out of circulation was attributable to increased production of consumer goods, expansion of service trades and reduction in inventories, the bank said.

Sales of much-demanded consumer items such as bicycles, televisions, furniture and beer totalled 94.4 billion yuan (\$60 billion) between January and May, a 9.1 per cent increase over the same period last year.

Chevron to make up for overcharging

WASHINGTON, July 29 (R) Standard oil (Chevron) will make up for alleged overcharging by putting a million barrels of oil into U.S. strategic reserves, the energy department said today. It said the \$82.5 million agreement did not amount to an admission of guilt by Chevron. The oil alone is valued at \$33 million. Chevron will pay \$49.5 million to parties to the dispute.

Dollar rises against yen

TOKYO, July 29 (R) — The U.S. dollar briefly touched a 15-month high today in hectic trading on the Tokyo foreign exchange market, where the Japanese central bank intervened once again, dealers said.

Well over one billion dollars changed hands through the day and the dollar reached 238.80 Japanese yen, its highest level since April last year, before easing off in the afternoon.

By the close of trade, the dollar was quoted at 237.80 yen or about one-and-a-half yen higher than yesterday's close. During the morning, the Bank of Japan sold an estimated \$50 to \$100 million bringing its total intervention in recent weeks close to two billion dollars.

Dealers said one major factor continuing to boost the American currency was the high level of U.S. interest rates, with a narrowed U.S. trade deficit in June also helping the dollar rise.

Pan Am assails subsidised airlines

WASHINGTON, July 29 (R) — U.S. airlines may be forced off international routes unless the government takes a tougher attitude towards foreign airlines, the Chairman of Pan American World Airways said yesterday.

William Seawell told a House sub-committee that the five major U.S. airlines with overseas routes, Pan American, Braniff, Flying Tiger, Northwest and Trans World, lost \$150 million on their international flights last year.

He said foreign airlines were usually subsidised by their governments and could afford to lose money, especially on routes to the United States.

U.S. trims its trade deficit

WASHINGTON, July 29 (R) — Improved sales of U.S. manufactured goods abroad offset a surge in petroleum imports and helped the United States trim its trade deficit to \$3.12 billion in June, the government reported yesterday.

The commerce department said the deficit represented a \$322 million improvement over May.

Petroleum imports shot up 21 per cent in June, partly because the government purchased roughly 500,000 barrels for its strategic petroleum reserve; a department spokesman said.

The increase in petroleum imports pushed overall imports up three per cent over May, the department said.

But improved foreign sales of U.S. wheat, industrial machinery and aircraft boosted exports by 5.3 per cent, resulting in the smaller trade shortfall.

If the trend for the first six months of the year persists, as government experts anticipate, the United States will end the year with a \$38.1 billion deficit.

A Middle East 'bridge' for Greece

ATHENS: Few European countries are as worried as Greece about the tension in the Middle East following the renewed Israeli attacks on the Lebanon. It is not just that Greece is the closest member of the Community to the area. Greece also sees a future role for itself as a "bridge" between the EEC and the Middle East.

This depends to some extent on whether Greece can build its role in handling transit trade to the Middle East. There is, for instance, a regular ferry service from the central Greek port of Volos to Latakia in Syria.

Like most other West European countries, the Greeks depend largely on Middle Eastern oil. At the same time, their economy is buoyed up by earnings from shipping oil, from the major contracts won by Greek construction com-

panies in the Arab World, and by its growing role as an offshore centre for Middle East business.

Add to this the need to protect what remains of the once-glorious Greek communities in cities such as Alexandria and it is hardly surprising that Greece has resisted EEC pressure to upgrade its diplomatic links with Israel. It has never had ambassadorial relations with Tel Aviv, and seems to have no intention of doing so. On the contrary, its policy has long been

far more pro-Palestinian than that of most members of the EEC.

In a recent interview Mr. Constantine Mitsotakis, the Greek Foreign Minister, said he welcomed the way that in the past year the West Europeans had moved closer to the Greek position through developments such as the European initiative on the Middle East. He was optimistic

posts for any U.S. Rapid Deployment Force in the Middle East. He said that Washington had not approached Athens with such a request.

The Arab League countries are Greece's biggest trading partner after the EEC. Greek exports to these countries will be about \$700 million this year, 20 per cent of all Greek exports. But imports from

seamen, freight and other shipping expenses.

Mr. John Latsis is an example of a self-made Greek tycoon, who after starting in wartime trade, built up an empire from his Middle East dealings. Mr. Latsis, who owns Petrola International, a group which includes ships, shipyards, refineries and construction companies, ferried pilgrims to Saudi Arabia in the 1950s.

He was a close friend of the Greek colonels and has solid links with the Saudi Royal Family.

Since 1975, Athens has been turning into a major centre for Middle East business. The war in Lebanon has forced scores of companies out of Beirut, but Athens also offers tax-free advantages for offshore business thanks to its proximity to the Middle East. Costs of setting up a regional operation are lower than in the Gulf.

In appearance as well as life-style, Athens is very much a Levantine city.

As a symptom of the times the bouzouki players in the Plaka, Athens's noisy tourist quarter at the foot of the Acropolis, have added to their repertoire of Greek folk songs some Arab hits, which they sing every night in Arabic.

Greece has strong business links with the Middle East, and sees itself as the European Community's "bridge" to the region.

that, once the new French administration had had time, it would support the line the EEC had painstakingly developed.

He also insisted that the Greeks would not agree to U.S. bases on Greek soil being used as staging

the Middle East of oil alone total around \$350 million per month.

Around 20 per cent of all shipping to and from Arab League countries is done on Greek-owned vessels. This brings in \$300 million a year in remittances from

Lifeboats stand by for rescue missions



The J.T. Essberger (photo) and the Wilhelm Kaisen are the largest lifeboats in West Germany

KIEL (DaD) — 'Mayday! Mayday! This is the Ruesselsheim. We have collided with the container freighter Niels Alba and have been holed. Holds under water. We look like sinking.' As the radio operator wires the ship's bearings, the 12-man crew of the lifeboat Wilhelm Kaisen get ready to rush to the scene at full speed, 30 knots.

Their detailed report was to be one of 1,429 filed by German lifeboat crews in 1980. 388 men were rescued from shipwrecked vessels, 516 helped out of a tight spot and 363 sick or injured people ferried from ships or islands to the mainland.

The German Lifeboat Institution was set up in Kiel 115 years ago, in the days when crews in oilskins rowed out to help sailors in distress. Later rockets were developed to fire ropes from shore to

and the fastest in the world. (DaD/dpa—Frue photo)

wreck and tow shipwrecked sailors to safety on board breeches buoys.

It now boasts an up-to-date telecom network along the coast of West Germany and a fleet of three dozen fast lifeboats and cruisers. The Wilhelm Kaisen's engines develop 7,200 hp, for instance. She has radio, radar, echo-sounding equipment, radio locating devices and automatic controls, plus a twin-hose water cannon that can play 20,000 litres of water per minute over 170 metres.

But the crews—Samaritans in oilskins—matter most. They are always at the ready. The institution is not government-subsidised. Its budget of DM 15.4 million for 1980 was raised entirely from subscriptions and donations, and it is proud of the fact.

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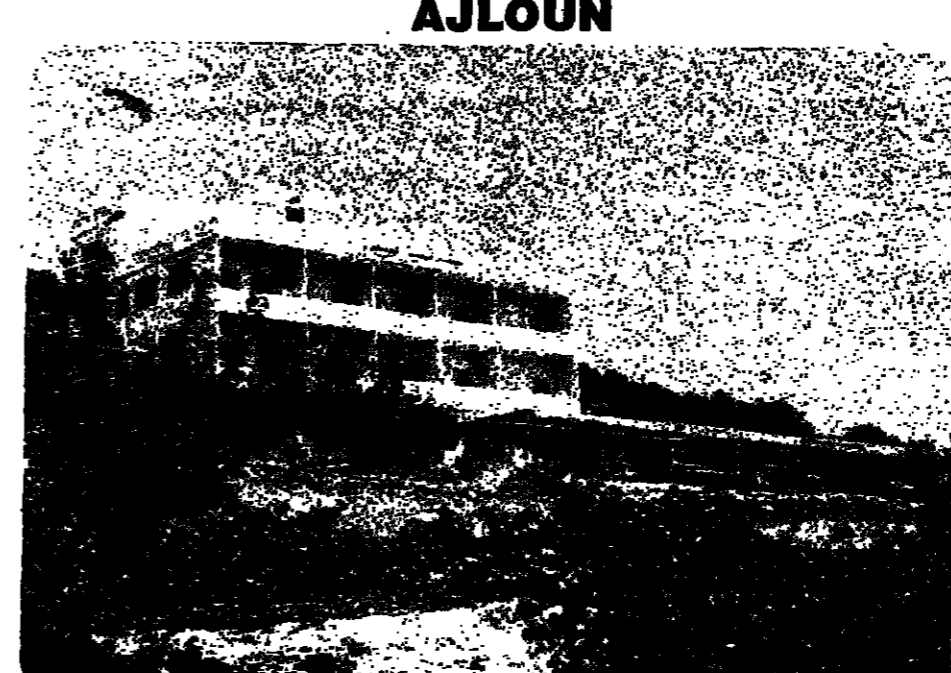
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FORECAST FOR THURSDAY, JULY 30, 1981

YOUR DAILY Horoscope from the Carroll Righter Institute

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Study quietly and come to the right decisions where important matters are concerned. Seek an expert if you need advice. TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) If invited to a social affair, make sure you don't become involved in an argument. State your goals to a trusted friend.

FORECAST FOR FRIDAY, JULY 31, 1981

GENERAL TENDENCIES: This could be a day of arguments and much tensions coming into the open unless you make a point to maintain self-control. The police you display can impress others.

Jensen of U.S. knocked out in the 13th

SEOUL, July 29 (R) — World Boxing Council (WBC) super-flyweight champion Kim Chul-Ho of South Korea knocked out American Willie Jensen to retain his title in an action-packed fight at the southern city of Pusan tonight.

Jensen, jabbing effectively, had the better of the early rounds, in which the fighters frequently slugged away toe to toe. But he tired from the 10th round and Kim took over, slamming home punishing punches until his 13th round assault finished off the challenger.

Notts. lead championship table

LONDON, July 29 (R) — Nottinghamshire boosted their chances of landing a major cricket trophy for the first time since 1929 by beating Lancashire by eight wickets at Trent Bridge yesterday.

Nottinghamshire made light of a victory target of 193, opener Paul Todd hitting 112 in 195 minutes and Derek Randall 52 not out.

Demonstrators at S African envoy's home dispersed by police

WELLINGTON, July 29 (R) — Police today used batons to turn back 2,000 people marching to the home of South Africa's envoy to New Zealand, while the South African rugby team was winning an incident-free match against a provincial side.

Police drew out their batons as opponents of the rugby tour marched from Parliament to the home of South African Consul General Paul Lindhorst.

injured, including an elderly woman.

Another protest was held today in Auckland, outside the office of Air New Zealand which is flying the Springboks around the country after bringing them to New Zealand.

In New Plymouth, the Springboks beat Taranaki 34-9. They have won the two matches played, while another game was cancelled last week when demonstrators occupied the football field in Hamilton.

future of the tour but New Zealand rugby authorities decided on Monday it would continue.

There were only about 100 demonstrators in New Plymouth and they were stopped by police as they marched to the ground. They halted peaceably and no arrests were made, police said.

New Plymouth police blew up a green canvas bag found near the city courthouse. It contained only spray paint, a stencil and pieces of newspaper.

In Wellington, the tour opponents had demonstrated peace-

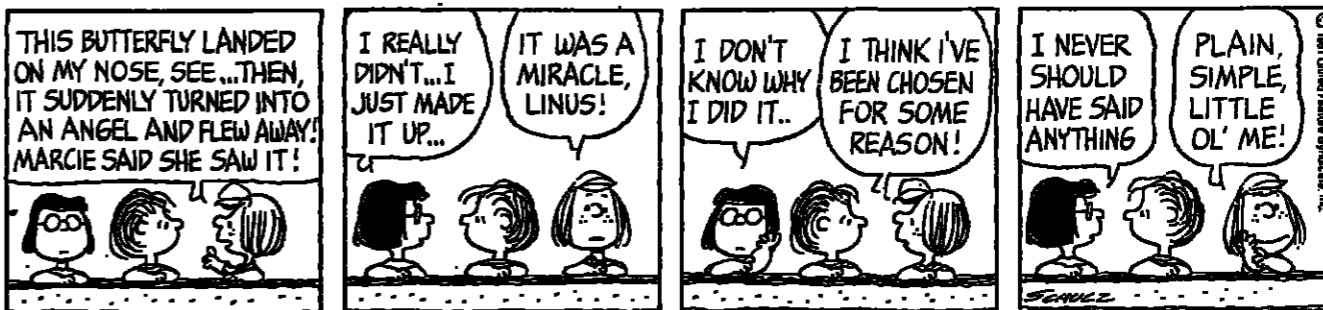
fully in the grounds of Parliament buildings before moving off towards Mr. Lindhorst's house.

The consul, who was guarded by the diplomatic protection squad -- its members are some of the few armed police in New Zealand -- said by telephone he had been aware of the march but was not unduly worried.

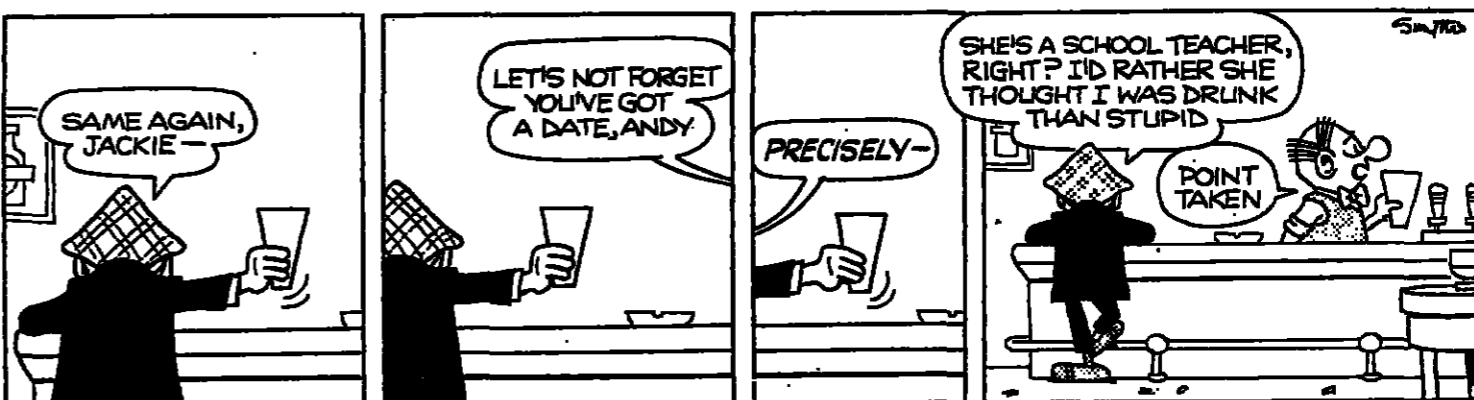
"We are being protected and I am grateful to police for their attention," he said.

The marchers dispersed soon after the baton attack. Police said none of their men was injured.

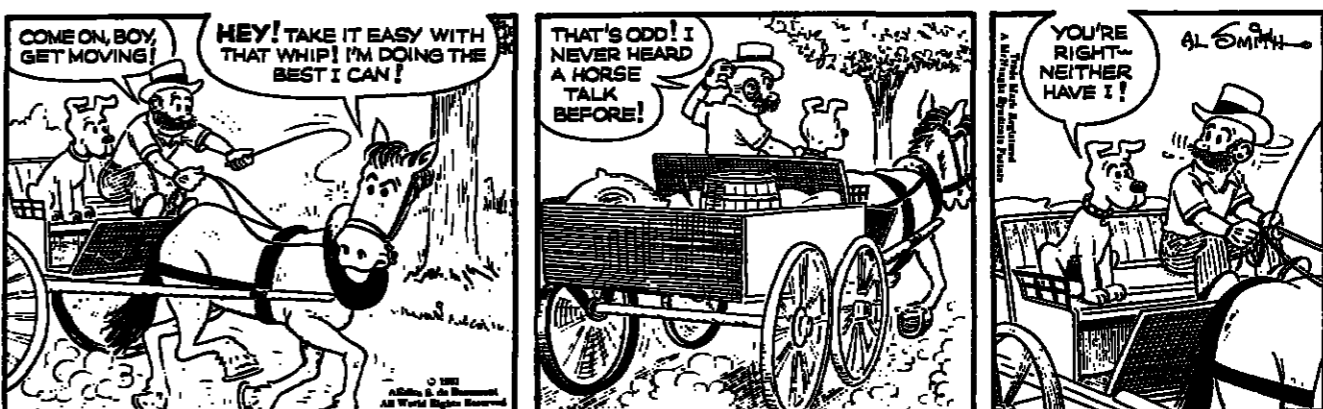
Peanuts



Andy Capp



Mutt 'n' Jeff



Tennis Talk



The two-handed backhand

By Maureen Stalla

IN THE old days, pros seemed to teach only one-handed backhands. But with all the two-handed backhands to be seen on the courts these days, and with the remarkable results they achieve for such stars as Bjorn Borg and Chris Evert Lloyd, people are asking: "Which is better, to use one or two hands?"

Like so many issues, there are both pros and cons. The two-handed backhand puts a premium on quick and precise footwork, decreases the player's reach, causes some confusion on the volley, and makes it harder to hit the various spins and "dinks" that round out an advanced player's game.

If you are right-handed and want to hit a two-handed backhand, hold the racket with two forehand grips, or with a right-handed backhand grip and a left-handed forehand grip.

For the two-handed shot, you contact the ball slightly later than for the one-handed shot, and your follow-through will cause your body to turn further, so that your shoulders end up parallel to the net. As in all tennis shots, your footwork is very important.

Try to keep the racket face on the ball as long as possible, with your wrists firm. The easiest way to hit a two-handed backhand is to think of it as a left-handed forehand, with a little extra support from your right hand.

GOREN BRIDGE

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Both vulnerable. South deals.

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The bidding: South West North East 2 NT Pass 3 NT Pass Pass Pass

Usually, a long suit is useful only if you can run it. South, declarer at three no trump, found an intriguing way to employ dummy's long suit even though he could-cash only two high-card tricks in it!

South's hand was somewhat off-shape for a two no trump opening bid, but he did have a problem. His hand was too weak for a demand bid in diamonds, and he was afraid that an opening bid of one diamond might get passed out. So he just pretended that one of his spades was a club and made the value bid. North's raise was textbook—it was unlikely that eleven tricks could be made in clubs and not nine in no

trump. West led the top of his heart sequence, and as soon as dummy came down, declarer realized that there was a snag. Because of the unfortunate duplication in hearts, there was no entry to dummy's clubs once they were established. Furthermore, the defenders had already started work on their best suit, thus declarer did not have the time to develop his long suit. However, his solution to the problem was most elegant.

He won the king of hearts, cashed the ace and king of clubs and then led a third club. On this trick he discarded the ace of hearts from his hand!

This remarkable play virtually assured the contract. Dummy's clubs were established, and if the defenders continued with hearts, declarer would have an entry to dummy with the queen. In all, he would score five club tricks, two hearts and his two aces. So, after winning the queen of clubs, West's only chance to defeat the contract was to shift. He chose a low spade. Declarer captured East's king with the ace and continued with the jack. If West took the queen, dummy's nine of spades would be an entry, so West ducked.

He was put on play again with a spade, and now was forced to open the diamond suit. Thus, declarer emerged with ten tricks, losing only one spade, one diamond and one club!

THE BETTER HALF By Vinson



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Saturday's Jumbles: TRYST SOAPY INVERT HAIRDO Answer: What the midget said when someone asked him for a loan—SORRY, I'M SHORT

THE Daily Crossword by William Henderson

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